

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendment and the following remarks. Prior to entry of this response, Claims 1-4, 9-13, 16-23, 25-29, 32-35, and 37-43 were pending in the application, of which Claims 1, 22, 34, 37, and 42 are independent. In this response claims 1, 22, 34, and 42 have been amended. No claims have been canceled.

I. Claim Rejections

In the November 22, 2005 office action, claims 1-4, 9-13, 16-23, 25-29, 32-35, 42 and 43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious in view of U.S Patent Publication No. US 2004/0070632A1 to Wilkes (hereinafter "*Wilkes*") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,404,444 to Johnson et al. (hereinafter "*Johnson*"). Claims 37-41 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by *Wilkes*.

In the foregoing amendment, the applicants have amended the claims to clarify several aspects of the invention. In particular, claims 1, 22, 34, and 42 have been further amended to indicate that the display comprises an N by N grid having N^2 individually selectable rectangles, each rectangle corresponding to between one and $1/N^2$ network addresses. Through this unique mechanism recited in amended claims 1, 22, 34, and 42, information can be provided in the same display for a single address all the way up to an entire network address space. This feature, as claimed, is not taught, suggested, or described by either *Wilkes* or *Johnson*. Accordingly, the applicants respectfully submit that these independent claims are in condition for allowance. The applicants further submit that the claims that depend from independent claims 1, 22, 34, and 42 are allowable because they also contain allowable subject matter, and because these claims depend from allowable independent claims.

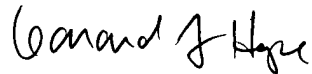
II. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, the applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and reexamination of the application and allowance of the claims at an early date is solicited.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments concerning this matter, the Examiner is invited to contact the applicants' undersigned attorney at the number below.

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